Sl. No.	Date	Signed with	Name of Project
2.	02.08.2000	Govt. of Sikkim	For execution of Teesta Stage-V (510 MW) in Sikkim by NHPC.
3.	10.11.2000	Govt. of West Bengal	For execution of Teesta Low Dam Stage-III (132 MW) & Stage-IV (168 MW) by NHPC.
4.	20.12.2000	Govt. of Himachal Pradesh	For execution of Chamera-II (300 MW) by NHPC.
5.	25.05.2001	Govt. of West Bengal	For execution of Purulia Pumped Storage Scheme (900 MW) by formation of joint venture company with Govt. of West Bengal.
6.	05.07.2001	Govt. of Himachal Pradesh	For execution of Chamera-III (231 MW) by NHPC.

(c) and (d) Two more agreements, one with Govt. of Mizoram for execution of Bairabi HE Project (80 MW) in Mizoram and the other with Govts. of West Bengal and Sikkim for execution of "Teesta Low Dam Stage-I (40 MW) & II (60 MW) in Sikkim/West Bengal are under finalisation.

Impact of power sector reforms

1137. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been made to take stock of the impact of power sector reforms under implementation in the States of Orissa, Andhra Pradesh, Haryana and Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the results achieved so far *vis-a-vis* cost of power to consumers, T and D losses and electricity consumption;

(c) if not, reasons therefor;

(d) whether any agency/independent body other than the Government has undertaken such a study in Orissa or any other State; and

(e) if so, their evaluation of the impact of power reforms?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (e) Government of Orissa has set up a Committee to evaluate the experience of power sector reforms in the State. The Orissa Electricity Regulatory Commission (OERC) has passed 4 tariff orders. After unbundling of the State Electricity Board private management has been inducted into the four distribution companies in Orissa through disinvestment of 51% shareholding. While these distribution companies still continue to show cash losses, these are getting reduced through improvement in billing and collection. The finanical turnaround has been slower than expected due to the lack of growth in industrial demand for power.

In Andhra Pradesh, Haryana and Rajasthan unbundling has taken place. The State Electricity Regulatory Commissions have passed tariff orders. Some tariff rationalisation has occurred. Improvement in billing and revenue collection has been reported.

Takeover of DPC by Government

1138. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are exploring the takeover of the $ 3 bn. Dabhol Power Project as one of the options to end the row triggered by the high tariff charged by DPC;

(b) if so, the details of talks held recently in New Delhi by Enron's Chairman with Union Power and Finance Ministers and outcome thereof;

(c) whether "Centre mulls DPC takeover *via* NTPC or SPV route" as reported in The Economic Times, dated the 10th July, 2001; and